

## SCHAIDT LOG HOUSE

AL-II-B-071

.75 mile northwest of Oldtown, west of  
Seven Springs  
ca. 1830

The Schaidt Log House was built circa 1830 to serve as a residence for an early Allegany County settler. Log cabins were the most economical form of house construction during that time period, due to the availability of natural building materials and the relative short period of time needed for construction. Many of these cabins, including the Schaidt House, were sheathed with secondary wall coverings. In this case, novelty siding and windows with triangular pediments were added.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Schaidt Log House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Cemetery Road,  
3/4 mile northwest of Oldtown, west of Seven Springs Run

CITY, TOWN

Oldtown

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

☐ STRUCTURE

☐ SITE

☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

☐ BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS

☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☐ OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

☐ YES: RESTRICTED

☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE

☐ COMMERCIAL

☐ EDUCATIONAL

☐ ENTERTAINMENT

☐ GOVERNMENT

☐ INDUSTRIAL

☐ MILITARY

☐ MUSEUM

☐ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

☐ RELIGIOUS

☐ SCIENTIFIC

☐ TRANSPORTATION

☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ethel G. Schaidt

Telephone #: 395-5242

STREET & NUMBER

P.O.

CITY, TOWN

Oldtown

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 441

Folio #: 987

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**☐ EXCELLENT☒ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED**CHECK ONE**☐ UNALTERED☒ ALTERED**CHECK ONE**☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Schaidt Log House is located .75 miles northwest of Oldtown, just west of Seven Springs Run.

Although this one and a half story, four bay wide structure was originally log, it is now covered with novelty siding. The sill is visible under the front porch where it meets the low stone foundation. There is a shed roofed one story rear addition also covered with novelty siding. Windows on the main block feature triangular pediments and have two over two lights. Most of them have shutters tied shut to block the openings. The rear addition also features windows with two over two lights and they display cornices. The house has two entrances on the southwest face and they also have the triangular pediments and replaced hardware. The roof is gabled and feature boxed cornice and returns and a soffit. Tin and tar cover the roof over the main block, and replaced asphalt materials now cover the rear addition. The house has a four bay hipped roof front end porch supported by five square columns. There are two replaced corbeled brick chimneys in the rear of the structure.

The Schaidt Log House has been greatly altered since it was built, and now stands structurally sound.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      ca. 1830

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Schaidt Log House was built circa 1830 as a simple residence for an early settler in the Oldtown area. The log structure was a popular form of housing in the early settlement time period. The facade was inexpensive to build, easy to construct and extremely sturdy. In the early 1800's numerous log structures were built in the county by the less wealthy inhabitants. Years after their construction, many of these buildings were covered with a variety of sidings, as is exhibited by this particular structure.

The house, although somewhat altered by siding, is in good condition and remains a cultural and architectural reminder of a way of life once found in Allegany County.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 49 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin &amp; Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

11/8/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-II-B-071DATE: 10/14/76

441/987

49 acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Schaidt Log HouseLOCATION OF PROPERTY: 3/4 mile N.W. of Oldtown, ~~east~~ west of Seven Springs RunDIRECTION DWELLING FACES: SouthwestNAME OF OWNER: Ethel G. Schaidt 395-5242

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

1 1/2 STORIES: 1(☒) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3( ) 4(☒) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )WINGS, ADDITIONS: Shed Roof 1 story REAR ADDITIONDwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)  
( ) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.  
( ) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated  
(☒) LOG 40' x 18'  
( ) Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTER, OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2(☒) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) triangular  
Shutters: Fixed Shut pegged( ) nailed( ) wide( ) narrow( ) mitred( ) pediment(☒)

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HARDWARE: original( ) replaced( )

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

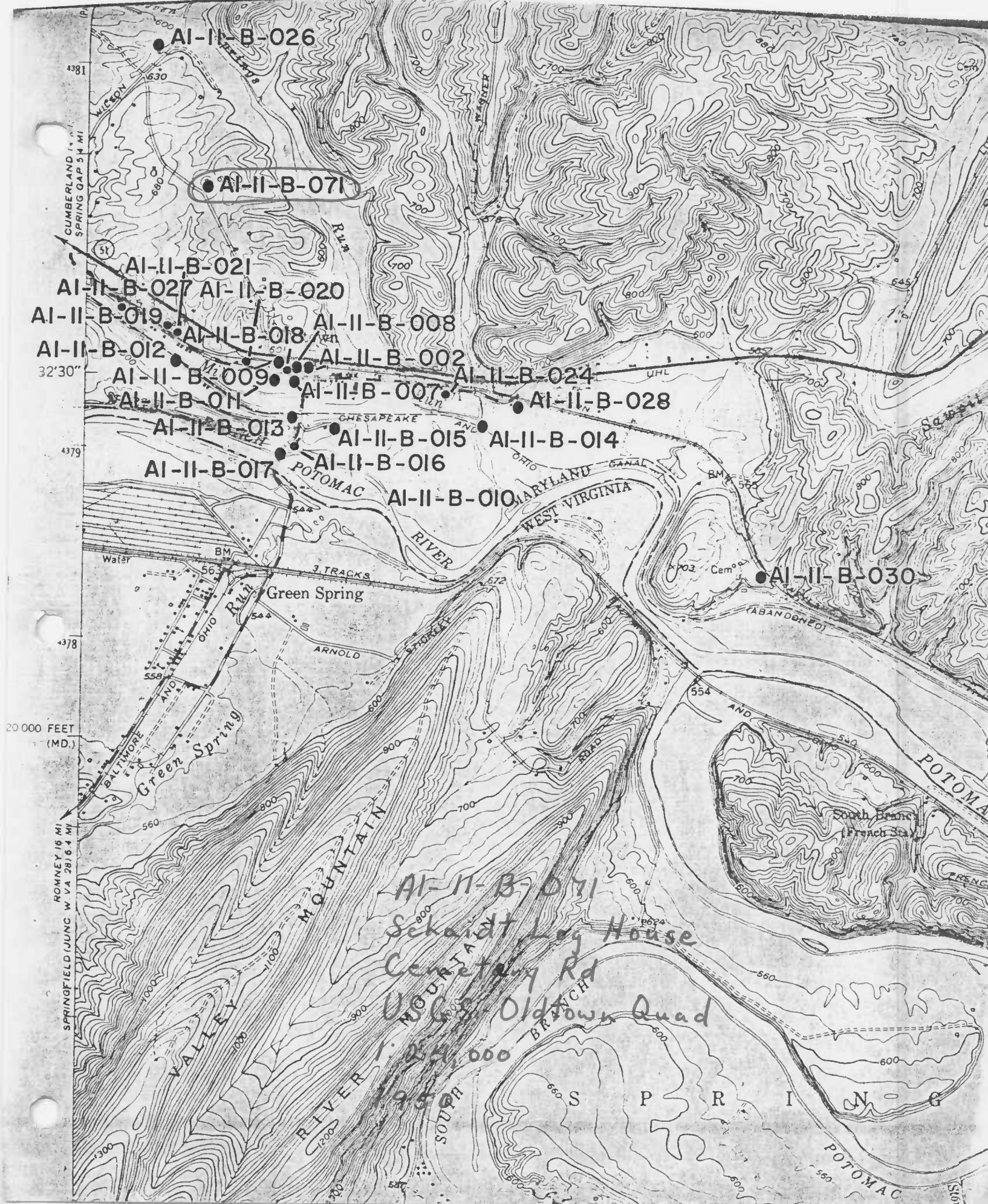
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) BOXED CORNICE + RETURN  
original( ) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS # \_\_\_\_\_MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced( )PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed( ) hip(☒) gable( ) 4 BAY FRONT ENDCHIMNEYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE( ) CORBELLED(☒) original( ) replaced(☒)LOCATION: Flush end( ) Inside end(☒) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior(☒)

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - NoneSignificance - ArchDate Constructed - CA 1830Condition - Fair







SCHAUDT LOG HOUSE

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$\frac{3}{4}$  mile N.W. of oldtown, <sup>west</sup>~~east~~ of

Seven Springs Run

John Nelson

10/14/76

faces  
Southwest

(looking North)



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3/4 mile N.W. of oldtown, west of  
Seven Springs Run

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10/14/76

west